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| In re Application of: MARI, Giorgio, et al. | : | |
| U.S. Application No.: 10/525,044 | : | |
| PCT No.: PCT/EP03/09174 | : | DECISION ON RENEWED |
| International Filing Date: 19 August 2003 | : | PETITION UNDER |
| Priority Date: 21 August 2002 | : | 37 CFR 1.47(a) |
| Attorney's Docket No.: P70417US0 | : | |
| For: FILTER FOR THE DEPLETION OF | : | |
| LEUKOCYTES FROM BLOOD PRODUCTS | : | |

In a decision mailed 14 November 2005, applicants' petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) was dismissed without prejudice for failure to provide all the requirements for a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a). Specifically, applicants had failed to provide the required firsthand evidence that a copy of the complete application papers and had been sent to the nonsigning inventor and that the inventor had refused to execute the application.

On 06 March 2006, applicants filed the renewed petition considered herein (with required extension fee). The renewed petition included the required showing that the nonsigning inventor has been provided with a copy of the complete application papers and has refused to execute the application. Taking these materials into consideration, applicants have now satisfied all the requirements for a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

The renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is **GRANTED**. The application is accepted without the signature of nonsigning inventor Alessandra ORI.

As provided in 37 CFR 1.47(a), a notice of the filing of this application will be forwarded to the nonsigning inventor at the last known address set forth in the petition, and notice of the filing of the application under 37 CFR 1.47(a) will be published in the Official Gazette.

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch of the PCT Operations Division for further processing in accord with this decision. The date under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(4) is 01 August 2005.

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Dear Dr. ORI:

You are identified as an inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.47(a) and 35 U.S.C. 116. Should a patent be granted, you will be designated as an inventor.

As a named inventor, you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or to make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent agent or attorney presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join in the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

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